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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting Between Mr. Colby and Mr. Bridgewater  
Re Goals and Objectives

1. At 1000 on 25 May in the DCI Conference Room, Mr. Colby (and staff) met with Mr. Bridgewater, Associate Director, OMB (and staff).
2. Mr. Bridgewater said the three purposes for calling the meeting were:
  - a. a general get-together to meet Mr. Colby.
  - b. a discussion of the preparation and review of DCI Goals and Objectives for the entire intelligence community.
  - c. a discussion of any problems or major obstacles in carrying out the DCI role.
3. There was a brief colloquy on the deadline for submitting the objectives paper. Mr. Bridgewater recognized that the Watergate inquiry has upset the original schedule. He said there was no real time pressure, but he would like to get the paper by mid-June or as soon thereafter as possible after Mr. Colby's confirmation and swearing-in. He said Mr. Colby should sign (not the present DCI) because a large part of the value of the process is an understanding and acceptance of the goals/objectives with the follow-on focus on accountability. Mr. Colby agreed.
4. Mr. Colby said he favored a few "short punchy goals" not intended to cover everything or be a community job description. He thought that NSCIC or Dr. Kissinger should see and approve

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the Goals/Objectives or at least those pertaining to substantive intelligence matters. Mr. Bridgewater agreed that this would be ideal, but indicated that Dr. Kissinger was so busy and away so much that they had had no luck in getting together with him. He said further that by mid-June they should have a clearer picture of the NSC role. Hopefully, NSC can review and approve before the objectives paper goes to the President.

5. Mr. Colby talked for a few minutes about his general feeling about changes in requirements and emphasis in the intelligence community noting:

- a. the need for strategic warning;
- b. the decreasing need for order of battle type of intelligence;
- c. the increasing need for attention to foreign research and development to preclude technological surprise;
- d. the necessity to be in a position to assure the President that we can monitor SALT agreements in being and possible MFBR agreements that may be agreed in the future;
- e. the possibility of stretching out some collection efforts (satellites) and perhaps delaying some new starts; and
- f. the new targets which were briefly mentioned as international economic matters, narcotics, and terrorism.

Mr. Colby then spoke of the need for improved analysis and development of new techniques. He mentioned the current satellite experiment on crop forecasting.

6. Mr. Bridgewater mentioned a letter that would be coming to the Agency from Peter Flanigan proposing an economic data bank containing grievances that U. S. companies have against foreign governments. Mr. Briggs pointed out the need to protect the proprietary interest of companies and not give advantage to one. The letter apparently had not been received in the Agency -- at least no one here knew of it.

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7. At the conclusion of the meeting, the mid-June date was repeated as the time for submitting the Goals/Objectives paper to OMB assuming that Mr. Colby has been confirmed and sworn-in. A copy of the latest draft of the paper was given to Mr. Donahue with the notation that Mr. Colby had not seen. Mr. Bridgewater asked that they be given an informal preview of the final paper before it is sent to OMB.

8. The following persons attended:

Mr. William E. Colby  
Mr. Dolph Bridgewater  
Mr. James M. Frey  
Mr. Arnold Donahue  
General Lew Allen  
Mr. Harold L. Brownman  
Mr. Charles A. Briggs

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